

1608

Captain John Smith took charge of the Jamestown settlement in 1608.

Pocahontas befriended John Smith, but married John Rolfe, the colony's first cultivator of tobacco.

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HAUS LIPPER SHEY (c. 1570-1619)

a German-Dutch lens grinder and spectacle maker, is generally credited with inventing the telescope in 1608 because he was the first scientist to apply for patent

Dec 9, 1608

English poet John Milton
was born in London.

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Quebec

Champlain founded the present
settlement

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John Smith

"A True Relation of Such Occurrences
and Accidents of War as hath
Happened in Virginia,

by JOHN SMITH

published in London (1608)

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Quebec was started in 1608
mainly as a trading post, but within
a few yrs. the desire of the French
government to strengthen its claim
to the northern part of the continent,
and the enthusiasm of the new order
of Catholic missionaries - the Jesuits -
who used Quebec as the center for
religious work among the Indians,

Combined to make it an important
settlement.

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James Fort, erected in 1607 was burned, then rebuilt and expanded

Present day shoreline of James R. goes through about 10% of the ancient fort

It was on this spot the first General Assembly met. It was the first [P. 26, Nat'l Geo June 2002] representative body,

the origin of the American form of Government

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Samuel Champlain founded
Quebec City